

Sport News

PENNANT RACE IN THE BIG LEAGUES THRILLS FANDOM

Consistent Baseball By Red Sox and Phillies Clarifies Situation This Week

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New York, Aug. 30.—Consistent baseball by the Red Sox and the Phillies has come to the rescue of a bewildered fandom and somewhat clarified in both leagues. The long looked for and much predicted crack of the Phillies under the strain has failed to materialize. About the only crack visible to the outside eye has been that of Gabby Cravath's bat against the ball. The Red Sox have yet to reveal any signs of slipping and it appears that both clubs are going to slip into the home stretch which starts day after tomorrow, going strong.

Both Moran, of the Phillies, and Carrigan, of the Bostonians, have prepared for this stretch spurt, and both are going into it with eyes in the hole. Both managers have rested their stars—Alexis and Wood—to the very limit that safety allowed, for the past two weeks in anticipation of a stony September hike. Apparently both believe implicitly in the McGraw axiom that "youngsters are alright through the early drive but it takes the red necks and veterans to stand the strain of the September efforts."

That they have managed to retain their leads without putting their utmost strength into the battle suggests well for their chances during the coming four weeks. The Red Sox, particularly stood the acid test the past week by taking the first two games of a three game series from the Tigers and forcing Jennings' plan to go extra innings to escape with the third.

Hughie Jennings and the individual Tigers had contended that series to catch up with Boston but almost miraculous fielding on the part of the Boston infield overcame the slugging of the brawlers and the result was Boston increased her lead at Detroit's expense. It was a telling wallop for the Tigers, and showed baseball men—not fans but big league managers—predicted at the end of the series that the Tigers had shot their bolt—that their morale was punctured. When the well known offensive strength of the Cobb-Crawford-Vench combination, however, it is going to be hard to count too over the Michigan crew until the cold figures show there is not a chance for the bean eaters to be overtaken. A two game lead is not impregnable at this stage of the game but it's a straw of very substantial proportions.

The addition of Joe Jackson by the White Sox came, it is believed, to make the Sox really dangerous contenders, and eastern baseball critics are hoping them to finish in their present position.

The Phillies are leading the National league because they are the only club that has been able to play consistently week in and week out. Since dumping the Cubs from the lead two months ago the Phillies have played barely fifty-fifty ball—the lead they managed to grab in the spurt sustaining them all season. Their position is generally considered more precarious than that of the Red Sox because the Phillies in themselves are a team of baseball misfits. They possess less "dope" strength than any club in Governor Taylor's circuit with the possible exception of Cincinnati's Reds. However, there is not another club, excepting the Braves, who are liable to do anything that seems able to develop enough delaying power to spill them from first place. In spite of the Phillies three game lead, however, there is a strong leaning toward the Braves, particularly through the east. Recent advices from the Pacific coast, bearing tidings that Bill James may yet be able to work through September has strengthened this leaning. With James back and young Lofly recently picked up by Stallings, building the pace he started, the Braves would look mighty sweet yet.

The Braves are known to fight better with their backs to the wall than when they are out in front and if they see a pennant and its accompanying financial consideration slipping away from them through the haze of those coming September days, they may get out and kick dust in somebody's face.

SENATORS MAKE EIGHT RUNS IN ONE INNING AND WIN FROM STAYTON

Five Hits Off of Cole Piles Up Lead That Wins Closing Game Yesterday

The Salem Senators wound up their 1915 baseball season yesterday with a victory when they trimmed the Stayton team 8 to 4 in a fast and exciting game at the league grounds. Except for one bad inning the game was airtight throughout. In the last half of the fifth the Senatorial sluggers fell upon the offerings of Cole and hammered out five hits which chased eight runs across the plate. Cole remained in the game, however, but never had a chance to win after the slaughter.

Craig started the game for Salem and allowed but four hits in the first five innings. Keene went in in the sixth and allowed four hits and four runs. Up to the fatal fifth Cole was whiffing the Senators with startling regularity and it began to look like he was making good his reputation as a strikeout pitcher until the Senators suddenly became possessed of their batting eyes and batted entirely around in this inning.

The game was marked by fast fielding and was free from errors as Salem is charged with but two bangles and Stayton booted three. Baker umpired with his usual success.

MIKE OR PACKEY? WHICH WILL WIN IN BIG BOUT NEXT MONTH HARD TO PICK



Mike Gibbons (top) and Packey McFarland.

Watching the Scoreboard

Carlisle and Lear peeled off home runs at Portland in the first game of this down-falling Los Angeles, San Francisco was on the jury end of an 8 to 5 tally.

Vernon got revenge as the sun was sinking in the west by taking advantage of Harry Ables' feebleness, and when Harry wobbled the Tigers gnawed him.

Salt Lake took two from Oakland.

Red Sox made it three out of four from the Indians, winning by one to zero in a classy pitchers' battle.

Despite wild heavens which enabled three Yankees to score, Detroit beat New York, 7 to 4. (Poetry.)

National Amateur Golf Players Show Up Poorly

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 30.—Of the big field starting in the second qualifying round of the national amateur golf championship here today, 24 failed to turn in a card lower than 85. Good golf was played in spots, but only eight of the country's best performers on the links did better than 70.

Robert Gardner, former national champion, led the field with a 77, one stroke ahead of "Ned" Sawyer of Chicago, Thomas Sherman, of Utica, and Francis Oimmet, the present national champion.

SPORTS OF ALL SORTS

Chicago, Aug. 30.—"Stuffy" McInnis, first baseman of the Athletics, is reported to have been offered \$30,000 for his immediate services by the Federals. McInnis left the Athletics several weeks ago.

New York, Aug. 30.—Larry Cheney, of the Cubs, is now a member of the Brooklyn club. Larry was traded for Infelder Schultz, whom the Dodgers obtained from Rochester.

New York, Aug. 30.—Packey McFarland and Mike Gibbons arrived here today for their match at Brighton Beach the night of September 11. Gibbons radiated confidence while here. He does not give Packey a chance to win.

New York, Aug. 30.—Joe Arcevedo, the California lightweight, will meet Phil Bloom, of Brooklyn, in a 10-round bout tonight at the Clermont Athletic club.

BURNS WINS HONOR

San Francisco, Aug. 30.—T. T. Burns, George Wingfield's crack saddle artist, won the riding honors for the opening week of racing at the exposition. While Gentry had Burns even in the number of wins, Burns had fewer mounts and his percentage was much higher. Burns won eight firsts, three seconds, one third, and did not place four times.

RAIN INTERFERES WITH TENNIS

Forest Hills, L. I., Aug. 30.—Rain today promised to interfere with the playing of the opening rounds of the national championship tennis matches.

The weatherman failed to predict clearing weather and the courts of the Westside Tennis club drain off quickly. It appeared improbable that play would be possible this afternoon.

In the case the opening matches are postponed today, the finals will probably not be reached until a week from Wednesday. There are 128 entrants in the championship event.

Chicago Post: Complete "movies" are to be taken of the British army. Perhaps this is in response to the demand that it get a move on.

New York, Aug. 30.—(Special.)—Were there any other reason than that they are guaranteed \$32,500 for half an hour's boxing the coming bout between Packey McFarland and Mike Gibbons would be a sporting topic of more than usual interest.

But the brilliant ring career of the men, their points of marked similarity and dissimilarity, their well known shrewdness as matchmakers, all afford material for those fans who like to settle boxing events in advance of their occurrence.

There is just one feature of the match about which there seems to be something resembling agreement; namely that William C. Marshall, of the Ocean A. C., at which it is to take place on September 11, stands a good chance to lose on his \$32,500 venture. But Mr. Marshall is not disturbed by predictions; in fact he is well content to have arranged a meeting that club managers all over America for two years have tried vainly to bring about.

Chief among the uncertainties is McFarland's present condition in its bearing on the condition he will show when he enters the ring to face Gibbons. The weight—147 pounds at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of the fight—should not give the stock yards champion any great difficulty. On his last public appearance he was making around 140 pounds, and it is improbable that he weighs much over 150 at the present moment.

Is He the Packey of Old? But his two years of abstinence from boxing—they are what score most heavily against the getting back of his superb footwork and his equally superb judgment of hitting distance. Many will argue that these faculties are innate with McFarland, but history in all branches of sport teaches that supreme excellence is not only attained, but more particularly maintained, by hard and continuous work. Will less than six weeks of training be enough to send him back to the ring the peerless Packey of old? And he must be to cope successfully with the St. Paul wizard, who has the telling advantages of reach and height.

Packey's clean manner of living makes it reasonably sure his stamina has not suffered during this long period of rest. As to his wind—that is another matter. Those two years figure there again; in fact they may figure vitally. McFarland has been all from the standpoint of the boxer, and active only from the standpoint of the ordinary man of business. Such activity will count adversely if at all in the present crisis. This weight question should bother McFarland less than Gibbons, but this still leaves conditioned lack of ring practice and Mike's superior reach, height and probably hitting power as well to reckon with. Quite a reckoning.

The length of the bout—10 rounds—should suit both equally. They like their ring business over and done quickly.

Gibbons Has Kept Hand In. Coming to particular consideration of Gibbons. Now, Mike pugilistically has not been so very busy pugilistically since he had that uninspiring bout with Eddie McGearty at Madama Square Garden in December, 1912. And by the way, that is considerably more than the two years so persistently cited by sceptics in McFarland's case. Gibbons, however, has kept his hand in. His habits, like McFarland's, are of the kind that help, not hurt, a boxer. As to their age, similarity exists there too, for Gibbons is twenty-seven and Packey only three months younger.

And their ring style has its similarities. Both men are wonderfully fast on their feet; both straight, accurate punchers, and both are ringsters of such consummate skill as to have made each in his class stand out by himself. Which is the faster on his feet; which the more skillful and harder hitter are questions that remain for decision next month.

Of McFarland's courage and deter-

STANDINGS OF THE TEAMS

National League		
Team	W.	L.
Philadelphia	64	562
Brooklyn	65	537
Boston	61	526
Chicago	58	492
St. Louis	58	483
New York	55	478
Pittsburg	58	475
Cincinnati	54	454

American League		
Team	W.	L.
Boston	79	40
Detroit	79	43
Chicago	71	47
Washington	61	56
New York	55	60
St. Louis	55	60
Cleveland	47	73
Philadelphia	45	74
Philadelphia	37	81

Federal League		
Team	W.	L.
Pittsburg	66	52
Newark	64	52
St. Louis	67	56
Chicago	65	56
Kansas City	56	58
Buffalo	59	64
Brooklyn	57	79
Baltimore	40	78

Pacific Coast League		
Team	W.	L.
Los Angeles	84	67
San Francisco	82	68
Vernon	75	74
Salt Lake	70	75
Portland	65	76
Oakland	68	84

Yesterday's Results.
At Portland—Los Angeles 0-6, Portland 2-3.
At San Francisco—Salt Lake 0-3, Oakland 4-1.
At Los Angeles—San Francisco 8-2, Vernon 5-5.

Saturday's Results.
At Portland—Los Angeles 3, Portland 2.
At San Francisco—Oakland 5, Salt Lake 1.
At Los Angeles—San Francisco 5-4, Vernon 2-3.

NEW SWIMMING RECORD

St. Louis, Aug. 30.—Grace Stewart, a 16-year-old school girl, today holds a new swimming record. By swimming two miles with the current of the Mississippi river in 19 minutes and 53 seconds yesterday she lowered the previous record for the course by 12 minutes.

KING'S HORSE WINNER

San Francisco, Aug. 30.—Nording IV, owned by King Christian X, of Denmark, today was awarded the prize in the first race for the Woodrow Wilson cup. The Nording defeated the Lady Betty, San Francisco yacht.

STATE NEWS

Washington will eventually become the biggest seed potato producing state in the Union," said T. O. Morrison, commissioner of horticulture of that state, upon his return from San Francisco, where he attended the second annual meeting of the West Coast Potato Association. He asserts that the growing of seed potatoes offers the biggest field of any line of agriculture, and the remarkable increase in the crop this year is evidence that the farmers are waking up to the possibilities. California seed potatoes now have to undergo a rigid inspection before shipment on account of the tuber moth, but Oregon and Washington are free from this pest.

W. S. McCoy, who has been in several parts of the county this week in the interests of the proposed creamery, tells the Heppner Herald that he was very favorably impressed with the prospects of raising plenty of feed for dairy cattle here. At the E. Nordyke place near Lexington, he saw Sudan grass eight feet high and which had not received any moisture except by natural rainfall. Several other ranchers have patches of this grass which grows rank here on the dry hills.

Hood River News: September 6 will be a red letter day for Hood River county, provided the Mitchell Point tunnel is opened on that date, as is now promised. This unique observation point will bring to Hood River many automobile parties which might otherwise return to Portland after visiting the points of scenic interest in that county.

Polk county is planning to make an exhibit at the land products show in Portland in October and November, and there is a strong probability that the collection of grains, grasses, fruits, vegetables, etc., gathered for display at the state fair will be brought here also.

Voters of seven school districts of Northwestern Grant county will decide upon the question as to whether or not they desire to have a high school established at Monument. Petitions have been circulated throughout the districts and have been liberally signed. All indications point to the success of the measure.

The Medford Mail Tribune says deer are reported to be plentiful in the hills, with most of the hunters securing the limit, and that in the present hot weather it is impossible to keep the meat, so much of it spoils.

Complaining of alleged laxity on the part of game wardens, the Monroe Leader says, farmers between Monroe and Corvallis charge that auto parties are slaughtering the young pheasants in the fields along the road every day and in some cases have injured stock.

Challenge to Harney county road builders by the editor of the Burns News: "Do you want to see good roads all around through the county? We do. We are willing to do our share of dirt moving and besides use the columns of the News in boosting good roads. The public and the people have the floor; let's hear from them."

A modern summer hotel is being built at Westlake, on the west shore of Lake Talbot, in Lane county, and only a mile from the ocean. The road to the

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ocean and the hotel will be completed in 60 days in time to accommodate guests during the duck season.

DONALD ITEMS.
E. C. Mays was a Portland visitor Monday.
Mrs. J. C. Johnston is back after several weeks' vacation.
Mrs. J. J. Mays returned Friday after several days with friends and relatives in the vicinity of Portland.
Donald is to have a millinery store which will no doubt be liberally patronized.
Mr. and Mrs. E. Aufranc, of Salem, spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Aufranc, here. They incidentally took in the pavilion dance Saturday.
F. J. Chadima, of Portland, visited with Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Sexsmith Sunday.
G. A. Cone, W. R. McKee, John Murray and Geo. V. Hovenden passed through Donald Monday on an inspection train.
C. A. Adams, the new banker, arrived Tuesday to make preliminary arrangements towards opening the bank September 1.
E. N. St. Helen commenced picking hops Wednesday.
H. N. Goode had friends visiting them Sunday.
Ruby Johnston, who has been staying with Mrs. Steele, of Portland, arrived Sunday evening and will visit with friends and relatives until school commences.
Mrs. E. C. Mays gave a party to her Sunday school class Tuesday afternoon at her beautiful home. Games were played and a general good time was had.
The band dance was a success in every particular and the band contemplates giving another dance in the near future.
M. and Mrs. B. S. Quinn and Mrs. J. P. Feller returned Monday after several days' outing at the seashore.
Mrs. W. Huestler arrived Monday from Barres Mills, Ohio, and will remain indefinitely, visiting with her daughter, Mrs. J. J. Mays.
Lloyd Mercer spent the week-end in Portland.—Woodburn Independent.

CHARGED WITH GAMBLING

San Francisco, Aug. 30.—Bookmakers are discussing with trepidation today the arrest of eight men at the driving races at the exposition yesterday, charged with gambling. The patrol wagon backed up at the track entrance to the grand stand and four men were hauled away. Shortly afterward the performance was repeated.

U. S. TROOPS ON BORDER HOLD MEXICAN BRIGANDS IN CHECK



These are busy days for United States army on Mexican border at Brownsville, Texas. To protect the people of Texas who live along the Rio Grande. Seventeen thousand troops are required crossing the line in search of loot, and the soldier boys are kept constantly on the alert.